

DEXTER VILLAGE COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2010

A. CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF *ALLEGIANCE*

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 PM by President Keough in the Dexter Senior Center located at 7720 Ann Arbor Street in Dexter, Michigan.

B. ROLL CALL: President Keough

J. Carson

P. Cousins

D. Fisher

J. Semifero

J. Smith

R. Tell

C. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

1. Regular Council Meeting – September 27, 2010

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of September 27, 2010.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

D. PREARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

E. APPROVAL OF THE AGENDA

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the agenda with the following changes:
Addition of the 2010 Temporary Sign Requests under the Consent Agenda, the Fee Schedule under item K-3, and a letter from the Dexter Kiwanis Club about the Annual Halloween Party

Change item L-3, Additional Follow-up on Alpine/Main Sidewalk/Crossing from a discussion item to a consideration item

Unanimous voice vote for approval

F. PUBLIC HEARINGS

Action on each public hearing will be taken immediately following the close of the hearing

None

G. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

Mike Cavanaugh of 6323 Bridgeway Drive, Dexter thanked Council for considering him for an appointment to the Parks and Recreation Commission.

H. COMMUNICATIONS:

1. Upcoming Meeting List
2. Dexter Area Historical Society Newsletter
3. GLITR Award Notification for Recellular
4. Letter from Dexter Kiwanis Club

I. REPORTS

1. Washtenaw County Sheriff's Office – Sgt. Beth Gieske

Sgt. Gieske reported on the following: a) have been working on property crimes in Dexter Township and Webster Township which are now in court; b) have been working with the Dexter Schools on the new busing routes and procedures and will be continuing to work on this; c) thanked the Village and DPW for help with the Homecoming Parade and Main Street was only shut down for 15 minutes for the parade; and d) announced that Shop with a Cop will take place on December 8 this year and asked if anyone knew of children who would benefit in participating.

2. Community Development Manager – Allison Bishop

Ms. Bishop submits her report as per packet. In addition Ms. Bishop reported on the following: a) the meeting went well on the Westside Connector/Border to Border Trail; b) meeting on the Mill Creek Park also went well and may request an extension for permit, wetland delineation was pretty much agreed upon; c) asked for feedback on Medical Marijuana and discussion followed on Council's thoughts and directives on the issue; d) mentioned the proposed ordinance on Complete Streets; e) reported that the invoice has been sent to the United Methodist Retirement Community for the tree replacement fund; and f) will be meeting with Blackhawk Development regarding the open basement issue at Dexter Crossings.

3. Boards, Commissions. & Other Reports-“Bi-annual or as needed”

Huron River Watershed Council Representative – Paul Cousins

Mr. Cousins thanked those who attended Suds on the River last month and the event was well attended. Mr. Cousins mentioned the inclusion of two items in the meeting packet and that the Watershed Council is doing well financially because of grants.

4. Subcommittee Reports

Website - None

Downtown Fire Detection - None

Economic Preparedness – Postponed until the next Council Meeting

5. Village Manager/Assistant Village Manager Report

Mrs. Dettling submits her report as per packet. Mrs. Dettling gave the following verbal updates: a) Thomson Reuters have adopted Baker Road and did a cleanup on the entire distance this past Wednesday; b) staff met on

October 7 on the Capital Improvement Plan and the plan is in progress; c) introduced Blair Selover from Tetra Tech, he has begun as of today and will need a budget amendment to authorize payment for his services; d) the County Sheriff's Forum will be held on Wednesday, November 10 at the Dexter Library; and e) Ms. Nicholls made mention of needing signatures in order to re-submit the Cityhood petition.

6. President's Report

Mr. Keough submits his report as per packet. In addition Mr. Keough addressed Council on the issue of conflict of interest that was discussed at the previous meeting.

J. CONSENT AGENDA

1. Consideration of: Bills and Payroll in the amount of \$211,304.49
2. Consideration of: Recommendation from President Keough to appoint Randy Willis to the vacant DDA Board position
3. Consideration of: Recommendation from President Keough to appoint Mike Cavanaugh to the Parks & Recreation Board seat vacated by Alan Green
4. Consideration of: Request from the Dexter American Legion Auxiliary to place five (5) signs in the right-of-way from October 30 to November 14
5. Consideration of: Arbor Day Proclamation

Motion Fisher; support Smith to approve items 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the consent agenda.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

K. OLD BUSINESS-Consideration and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Facilities Next Steps – Suggestion to continue research and investigation of facility needs in Facility Subcommittee

General consensus to move to the Facility Subcommittee.

2. Consideration of: Recommendation from Planning Commission to adopt amendments to Article 2, Definitions, Community Special Event Sign, Institutional Signs, Kennel and Zoning Act, of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance

Motion Fisher; support Semifero per Section 23.06, Criteria for Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Text, the Planning Commission recommendation on October 4,

2010, the Village Council approves the amendments to Article 2, Definitions to clarify the definitions of signs, kennels and zoning act to conform to other ordinance amendments and legislative changes.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

3. Consideration of: General Code Amendments – Chapter 10, Article I and II and the Fee Schedule

Previous Meeting Motions:

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the General Code Amendment – Chapter 10, Article I and II.

Motion Cousins; support Carson to postpone approval of the General Code Amendment until the September 27, 2010 meeting.

Ayes: Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Smith; support Carson to postpone approval of the fee schedule amendment until September 27, 2010 meeting.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Motion Carson; support Smith to postpone action on the General Code Amendments – Chapter 10, Article I and II and the Fee Schedule until further review by the Planning Commission is completed.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

Original Motion

Motion Semifero; support Fisher to approve the General Code Amendment – Chapter 10, Article I and II.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Carson, Fisher, Cousins and Keough

Nays: Smith

Motion carries 6 – 1

Motion Fisher; support Cousins to approve the Fee Schedule as presented.

Ayes: Semifero, Tell, Fisher, Carson, Cousins, Smith and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

4. Consideration of: Recommendation from Planning Commission to adopt amendments to Article 7, Sign, General Conditions, Ground Signs, Temporary Signs, Signs in the Right of Way, and

Permits and Applications, of the Village of Dexter Zoning Ordinance.

Motion Cousins; support Semifero per Section 23.06, Criteria for Amendment to the Zoning Ordinance Text and the Planning Commission's recommendation, the Village Council approves the proposed amendments to Article 7, Signs due to factors deemed appropriate by the Planning Commission and Zoning Board of Appeals and to promote the implementation of the goals and objectives of the Master Plan.

Ayes: Tell, Carson, Cousins, Smith, Fisher, Semifero and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

At 9:06 p.m. a recess was taken and the meeting re-convened at 9:11 p.m.

L. NEW BUSINESS-Consideration of and Discussion of:

1. Discussion of: Sidewalk connection from Cedars of Dexter to the Westridge Subdivision

Discussion was held regarding the sidewalk connection, to include this in the border-to-border project, meet with the Washtenaw County Road Commission, and also to discuss the connection possibilities with Cedars residents. Staff has Council's support to look at the options available.

2. Consideration of: Recommendation from Labor Negotiation Team to pay \$31,335 to the Village Municipal Employee's Retirement System Pension account to bring the Village's funding liability to 80%.

Motion Smith; support Fisher to approve the recommendation from the Labor Negotiation Team to pay \$31,335 to the Village Municipal Employee's Retirement System Pension account to bring the Village's funding liability to 80%.

Ayes: Carson, Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Tell and Keough

Nays: Semifero

Motion carries 6 - 1

3. Consideration of: Additional Follow-up on Alpine/Main Sidewalk/Crosswalk project and sidewalk replacement project

Motion Cousins; support Carson to follow-up on the Alpine/Main Sidewalk/Crosswalk project and sidewalk repair as recommended by staff at a cost of \$10,000.

Ayes: Cousins, Fisher, Smith, Semifero, Tell, Carson and Keough

Nays: None

Motion carries

M. COUNCIL COMMENTS

Cousins	None
Tell	None
Fisher	Mentioned receiving a thank you on behalf of the Village for participation in the event to honor Henry Thurston.
Jones	Have tickets for the annual St. Andrew's Sauerkraut Supper on October 21.
Smith	Thanked Ms. Jones and Mr. Semifero for participating in the Historical Tour of Forest Lawn Cemetery on October 2.
Semifero	None
Carson	Chelsea Area Planning Team/Dexter Area Regional Team will meet on October 18 at Lima Township Hall to discuss the access plan. The new street sweeper is "awesome"!

N. NON-ARRANGED PARTICIPATION

None

O. ADJOURNMENT

Motion Smith; support Fisher to adjourn at 9:43 PM.

Unanimous voice vote for approval

Respectfully submitted,

Carol J. Jones
Clerk, Village of Dexter

Approved for Filing: October 25, 2010